



RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT EVALUATING THE OPERATIONS OF LEEWARD COAST REFUSE DROP-OFF FACILITIES AND RECOMMENDING IMPROVEMENTS THERETO.

WHEREAS, despite the enactment of measures such as Ordinance 16-9, enacted on May 16, 2016, which, in part, increased civil fines for illegal dumping in the City and County of Honolulu ("City"), the illegal dumping of refuse continues to be a persistent problem on Oahu, particularly on the Leeward Coast; and

WHEREAS, the Leeward Coast contains many country roads and both hidden and open areas that may be used for illegal and indiscriminate dumping of solid waste, including construction material, derelict motor vehicles, old appliances, animal carcasses and wastes, and many other types of junk, debris, and other refuse; and

WHEREAS, the many illegal dumping areas found along the Leeward Coast are unsightly and a threat to public health; and

WHEREAS, the City operates facilities on the Leeward Coast, including the Waianae Convenience Center and the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill where residents can legally dispose of unwanted junk, debris, and other refuse; and

WHEREAS, such refuse drop-off facilities offer residents another no-charge option for the disposal of refuse and special wastes, in addition to the City's regularly-scheduled refuse collection services and bulky item pickup service, and are intended to decrease illegal dumping on Oahu; and

WHEREAS, in spite of these available legal options, illegal dumping persists and the Council has received complaints from residents regarding the operations of Leeward Coast refuse drop-off facilities, including what many residents view as unreasonably limited hours of operation and overly-strict limits on types of acceptable refuse materials; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the City's refuse drop-off facilities' operations on the Leeward Coast need to be assessed in order to determine how the facilities may better serve the needs of community members and more effectively assist in curtailing illegal dumping in the area; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Department of Environmental Services is requested to prepare a comprehensive report evaluating the operations of Leeward Coast refuse drop-off facilities; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report include, but not be limited to the following:

- Evaluate the adequacy of operating hours, services, and staffing at the Leeward Coast refuse drop-off facilities,
- Evaluate the existing limits on acceptable refuse materials at the facilities, and
- Make recommendations as to how policies and operations at drop-off facilities may be changed to better encourage legal solid waste disposal, while also reducing the perception that illegal dumping is quick, easy, and penalty-free; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this report be transmitted to the Council no later than 90 days following the adoption of this resolution; and



CITY COUNCIL
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HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 19-101

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Director of the Department of Environmental Services.

INTRODUCED BY:

Shymberly Rose

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

MAY 1 2019

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

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HONOLULU, HAWAII
CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 19-101

Introduced: 05/01/19 By: KYMBERLY PINE Committee: PUBLIC
INFRASTRUCTURE,
TECHNOLOGY AND
SUSTAINABILITY

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Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

NOTE: COUNCILMEMBER WATERS TOOK OFFICE ON MONDAY, MAY 6, 2019.

CC-173 ANDERSON - COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

07/24/19	PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE, TECHNOLOGY AND SUSTAINABILITY	CR-226 - RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION. 4 AYES: FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI.
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08/07/19	COUNCIL	CR-226 AND RESOLUTION 19-101 WERE ADOPTED. 9 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS.
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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.



GLEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK



IKAIKA ANDERSON, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER